

Employee Post-Travel Disclosure of Travel Expenses

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Post-Travel Filing Instructions: Complete this form within 30 days of returning from travel. Submit all forms to the Office of Public Records in 232 Hart Building.

In compliance with Rule 35.2(a) and (c), I make the following disclosures with respect to travel expenses that have been or will be reimbursed/paid for me. I also certify that I have attached:

- ☐ The original *Employee Pre-Travel Authorization* (Form RE-1), AND
☐ A copy of the *Private Sponsor Travel Certification Form* with all attachments (itinerary, invitee list, etc.)

Private Sponsor(s) (list all): Technology Policy Institute

Travel date(s): August 20-23, 2017

Name of accompanying family member (if any): N/A

Relationship to Traveler: ☐ Spouse ☐ Child

IF THE COST OF LODGING DID NOT INCREASE DUE TO THE ACCOMPANYING SPOUSE OR DEPENDENT CHILD, ONLY INCLUDE LODGING COSTS IN EMPLOYEE EXPENSES. (Attach additional pages if necessary.)

Expenses for Employee:

	Transportation Expenses	Lodging Expenses	Meal Expenses	Other Expenses (Amount & Description)
<input type="checkbox"/> Good Faith Estimate	1123.61	615.63	483.65	N/A
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Actual Amount				

Expenses for Accompanying Spouse or Dependent Child (if applicable):

	Transportation Expenses	Lodging Expenses	Meal Expenses	Other Expenses (Amount & Description)
<input type="checkbox"/> Good Faith Estimate	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
<input type="checkbox"/> Actual Amount				

Provide a description of all meetings and events attended. See Senate Rule 35.2(c)(6). (Attach additional pages if necessary.): Attended panel discussions on: artificial intelligence, Internet of Things, internet privacy regulation

federal management of electromagnetic spectrum, rural broadband and connectivity, and internet governance.

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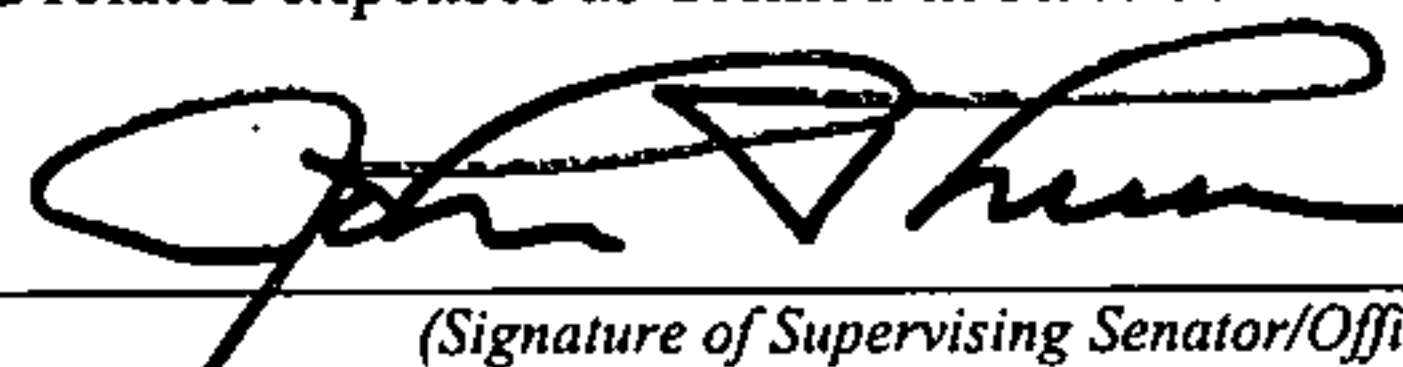
Courtney Bush
(Printed name of traveler)

Courtney Bush
(Signature of traveler)

TO BE COMPLETED BY SUPERVISING MEMBER/OFFICER:

I have made a determination that the expenses set out above in connections with travel described in the *Employee Pre-Travel Authorization* form, are necessary transportation, lodging, and related expenses as defined in Rule 35.

9/20/17
(Date)


(Signature of Supervising Senator/Officer)

PRIVATE SPONSOR TRAVEL CERTIFICATION FORM

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The Senate Member, officer, or employee **MUST** also provide a copy of this form, along with the appropriate travel authorization and reimbursement form, to the Office of Public Records (OPR), Room 232 of the Hart Building, within thirty (30) days after the travel is completed.

1. Sponsor(s) of the trip (please list all sponsors): Technology Policy Institute
2. Description of the trip: To participate in panel discussions at the Technology Policy Institute Aspen Forum, a conference on technology and communications policy. See attached agenda for specifics.
3. Dates of travel: August 20-23, 2017
4. Place of travel: Aspen, Colorado
5. Name and title of Senate invitees: Cort Bush, Sen. Comm. on Commerce, Science and Transportation
6. I *certify* that the trip fits one of the following categories:

☒ (A) The sponsor(s) are not registered lobbyists or agents of a foreign principal **and** do not retain or employ registered lobbyists or agents of a foreign principal **and** no lobbyist or agents of a foreign principal will accompany the Member, officer, or employee *at any point* throughout the trip.

=OR=

☐ (B) The sponsor or sponsors are not registered lobbyists or agents of a foreign principal, but retain or employ one or more registered lobbyists or agents of a foreign principal and the trip meets the requirements of Senate Rule 35.2(a)(2)(A)(i) or (ii) (*see question 9*).
7. ☒ I *certify* that the trip will not be financed in any part by a registered lobbyist or agent of a foreign principal.

=AND=

☒ I *certify* that the sponsor or sponsors will not accept funds or in-kind contributions earmarked directly or indirectly for the purpose of financing this specific trip from a registered lobbyist or agent of a foreign principal or from a private entity that retains or employs one or more registered lobbyists or agents of a foreign principal.
8. I *certify* that:

☒ The trip will not in any part be planned, organized, requested, or arranged by a registered lobbyist or agent of a foreign principal except for *de minimis* lobbyist involvement.

=AND=

☒ The traveler will not be accompanied on the trip by a registered lobbyist or agent of a foreign principal except as provided for by Committee regulations relating to lobbyist accompaniment (*see question 9*).

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15. Briefly describe the educational activities performed by each sponsor (other than sponsoring congressional trips):

In addition to hosting the Aspen Forum, the Technology Policy Institute produces research and hosts briefings, conferences and discussion panels on technology policy issues in order to educate policymakers.

16. Total Expenses for Each Participant:

	Transportation Expenses	Lodging Expenses	Meal Expenses	Other Expenses
<input type="checkbox"/> Good Faith estimate <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Actual Amounts	1123.61	615.63	483.65	

17. State whether a) the trip involves an event that is arranged or organized *without regard* to congressional participation or b) the trip involves an event that is arranged or organized *specifically with regard* to congressional participation:

This event is arranged without regard to congressional participation.

18. Reason for selecting the location of the event or trip

The event is hosted at the St. Regis in Aspen, CO. It is easily accessible from both the east and west coasts. It is intended to attract speakers and participants from both Washington DC and Silicon Valley.

19. Name and location of hotel or other lodging facility:

Hotel Aspen, 110 W. Main Way, Aspen, CO 81611

20. Reason(s) for selecting hotel or other lodging facility:

The Hotel Aspen is within walking distance of the conference venue. The rate is cheaper than the St. Regis negotiated group rate.

21. Describe how the daily expenses for lodging, meals, and other expenses provided to trip participants compares to the maximum per diem rates for official Federal Government travel:

Lodging selected is the cheapest rate in proximity to the conference venue. Every attendee, including other government employees, receive the same meal options. Efforts are made to contain costs with respect to all aspects of the event.

22. Describe the type and class of transportation being provided. Indicate whether coach, business-class or first class transportation will be provided. If first-class fare is being provided, please explain why first-class travel is necessary:

Round-trip, economy class airfare is provided.

23. ☒ I represent that the travel expenses that will be paid for or reimbursed to Senate invitees do not include expenditures for recreational activities or entertainment (other than entertainment provided to all attendees as an integral part of the event, as permissible under Senate Rule 35).

24. List any entertainment that will be provided to, paid for, or reimbursed to Senate invitees and explain why the entertainment is an integral part of the event:

None.

25. I hereby *certify* that the information contained herein is true, complete and correct. (You must include the completed signature block below for each travel sponsor.):

Signature of Travel Sponsor:



Name and Title: Scott Wallsten, President & Senior Fellow

Name of Organization: Technology Policy Institute

Address: 409 12th Street SW, 700, Washington, DC 20024

Telephone Number: 202-828-4405

Fax Number: N/A

E-mail Address: abenjamin@techpolicyinstitute.org

Instructions
(Do not file the Instructions with OPR)

General Instructions

- The Senate Select Committee on Ethics ("Ethics Committee") has developed guidelines for evaluating privately-sponsored trips and for judging whether trip expenses are reasonable. Trip sponsors should consult the *Senate Select Committee on Ethics' Regulations and Guidelines for Privately-Sponsored Travel*, including the *Glossary of Terms*, prior to filling out the *Private Sponsor Travel Certification Form* and contact the Ethics Committee at (202) 224-2981 with any additional questions. The Ethics Committee will make the final determination as to whether the expenses incurred during a privately-sponsored trip are reasonable.
- If there are multiple sponsors, they should jointly complete one *Private Sponsor Travel Certification Form* for the trip. Each travel sponsor should complete the signature block.
- When evaluating a trip proposal and judging the reasonableness of expenses, the Ethics Committee will consider the following factors:
 - a. the stated mission of the organization sponsoring the trip;
 - b. the organization's prior history of sponsoring congressional trips, if any;
 - c. other educational activities performed by the organization besides sponsoring congressional trips;
 - d. whether any trips previously sponsored by the organization led to an investigation by the Select Committee on Ethics;
 - e. whether the length of the trip and the itinerary is consistent with the official purpose of the trip;
 - f. whether there is an adequate connection between a trip and official duties;
 - g. the reasonableness of the total amount spent by a sponsor of the trip;
 - h. whether there is a direct and immediate relationship between a source of funding and an event;
 - i. the maximum *per diem* rates for official Federal Government travel published annually by the General Services Administration, the Department of State, and the Department of Defense;
 - j. whether travel to a location or event is arranged or organized without regard to congressional participation, or whether it is specifically organized for Congressional staff; and
 - k. any other factor deemed relevant by the Select Committee on Ethics.

Consult the *Senate Select Committee on Ethics' Regulations and Guidelines for Privately-Sponsored Travel*, including the *Glossary of Terms*, for further discussion of these factors.

- Responses to each question should be brief, consistent with the requirement to provide all relevant information. Attach additional pages, as necessary.
- To allow sufficient time for the Ethics Committee to review requests for privately sponsored travel, the participating Senate Members, officers, and employees must submit the completed form to the Ethics Committee at least **thirty (30) days** before the date of the proposed trip.

Filling out the Private Sponsor Travel Certification Form (Question by Question Instructions)

1. *Sponsor(s) of the trip (please list all sponsors):* A sponsor of a trip is any person, organization, or other entity contributing funds or in-kind support for the trip. A sponsor must have a significant role in organizing and conducting a trip and must have a specific organizational interest in the purpose of the trip. If Members, officers, and employees are participating in an event or fact-finding trip in connection with their duties, they may accept necessary travel expenses only from the event or trip sponsor.
2. *Description of the trip:* Provide a brief statement about the purpose of the trip.
3. *Dates of travel:* Provide the dates of departure and return.
4. *Place of travel:* Provide the destination(s) for the trip.
5. *Name and titles of Senate invitees:* Provide the name and title for each Senate Member, officer, or employee who is invited on the trip.
6. *I certify that the trip fits one of the following categories:* A Senate Member, officer, or employee may accept privately sponsored travel only from sponsor(s) of a trip that fits one of the categories listed. Consult the instructions for question 9 to determine if the trip meets the lobbyist accompaniment standard.
7. *Financing of the trip, earmarked funds and in-kind contributions:* Senate Members, officers, and staff may not accept privately-sponsored travel funded by a registered lobbyist or foreign agent. Members, officers, and staff may not participate in privately-sponsored travel when the sponsors accept funds or in-kind contributions earmarked for this particular trip from a registered lobbyist or agent of a foreign principal or from a private entity that retains or employs one or more registered lobbyists or agents of a foreign principal. Earmarking includes any direction, agreement, or suggestion -- formal or informal -- to use donated funds, goods, services, or other in-kind contributions for a particular trip or purpose.
8. *Lobbyist/agent of a foreign principal involvement:* Senate invitees may not participate in trips planned, organized, arranged, or requested by a lobbyist or foreign agent in more than a *de minimis* way, which means negligible or inconsequential. It would be considered inconsequential for one or more lobbyists or foreign agents to serve on the board of an organization that is sponsoring travel, as long as the lobbyists or foreign agents are not involved in the trip. It is also permissible for a lobbyist to respond to a trip sponsor's request to identify Senate invitees with interest in a particular issue relevant to a planned trip. However, a lobbyist is not allowed to solicit or initiate communication with a trip sponsor, have control over which Senate employees are invited on a trip, extend or forward an invitation to a participant, determine the trip itinerary, or be mentioned in the invitation.

Example: A trip sponsor that is a § 501(c)(3) non-profit organization asks a lobbyist to recommend staffers who might be most interested in joining a trip to the U.S.-Mexican border. If a lobbyist knows a staffer who has a particular interest in the DEA's activities at the border, then providing that information (in light of the trip sponsor's request), in and of itself, would not exceed a *de minimis* level of participation, and would be permitted. However, it would not be permissible for the lobbyist to initiate contact with the trip sponsor to suggest that a particular Senate staffer be invited or forward an invitation to that staffer. Consult the instructions for question 9 to determine if the trip meets the lobbyist accompaniment standards.

9. *Lobbyist/agent of a foreign principal accompaniment standards:* Senate Members, officers, and staff may not accept privately-sponsored travel from an entity that retains or employs one or more federally-registered lobbyists or foreign agents unless one of the listed scenarios applies. *At any segment of the trip* means lobbyists may not accompany the Senate invitee for parts of the travel to and from the event (not at the event itself or the location being visited). *At any point throughout the trip* means lobbyists may not accompany Senate invitees at any point to and from the event, at the event itself, or at the location being visited, other than in a *de minimis* way. This is a broader prohibition than the *at any segment of a trip* standard.

“De minimis” exception: Both lobbyist/agent of a foreign principal “accompaniment” prohibitions include a *de minimis* exemption. *De minimis* means negligible or inconsequential. The mere coincidental presence of a lobbyist or foreign agent at an event would likely be considered *de minimis*. But in making the final determination, the Ethics Committee will consider the totality of the circumstances, including the amount of time lobbyists or foreign agents are present at the event; the amount of direct contact they have with Senate invitees; and the amount of control a trip sponsor has over their presence or contact with Senate guests. For example, if the trip includes attendance at an event considered widely-attended under Rule 35(1)(c)(18), the trip sponsor is unlikely to know all attendees present. Thus, it is likely to be permissible for such widely-attended events to include both a Senate guest and a lobbyist. Similarly, an organization cannot possibly know all the other passengers taking the same flight or other common carrier to a given destination. Accordingly, the sponsor does not need to certify that it knows for certain that no lobbyist or foreign agent will be on such a common carrier.

10. *If travel includes two overnight stays:* The Ethics Committee may approve two overnight stays for trips sponsored by an entity that employs or retains one or more lobbyists or foreign agents under certain conditions. Consult Committee regulations for additional information.
11. *An itinerary for the trip is attached to this form:* The Ethics Committee will not review the trip request without a detailed (hour-by-hour), complete and final itinerary for the trip. As a general matter, the Ethics Committee advises that each travel day contain a minimum of 6 hours of officially-related activities for Senate invitees.
12. *Briefly describe the role of each sponsor in organizing and conducting the trip:* A sponsor must have a significant role in organizing and conducting a trip and must have a specific organizational interest in the purpose of the trip.
13. *Briefly describe the stated mission of each sponsor and how the purpose of the trip relates to that mission:* Provide a brief description of the stated mission of each sponsor and how it relates to the trip.
14. *Briefly describe each sponsor’s prior history of sponsoring congressional trips:* Provide a brief discussion of the sponsor’s history of sponsoring congressional travel. It is not necessary to list every trip.
15. *Briefly describe the educational activities performed by each sponsor (other than sponsoring congressional trips):* Provide a brief description of the educational activities performed by each sponsor. It is not necessary to list every individual activity; the description may be by kind or category of educational activity involved.
16. *Total expenses for each participant:* Indicate whether the figures provided are actual amounts or good faith estimates by checking the appropriate box. All trip expenses should be included. Expenses other than those for transportation, lodging, and meals must be individually listed and specified. Attach additional pages as necessary.

17. *Congressional participation:* For events that are arranged without regard to congressional participation (for example, annual meetings, conferences, seminars, and symposiums of trade associations, professional societies, business associations, and other membership organizations), the Ethics Committee may, but is not required to, allow Senate Members, officers, and employees to accept lodging and meal expenses that are commensurate with what is customarily provided to non-congressional attendees in similar circumstances. For events specifically arranged around congressional participation, lodging, meal expenses and other expenses must be "reasonable" in accordance with Ethics Committee regulations.
18. *Reason for selecting the location of the event or trip:* The location of the trip *must be related to its purpose*. A brief but detailed description of the reason for the selection of the location must be provided.
19. *Name and location of hotel or other lodging facility:* Include the exact name and address of the hotel or other lodging facility.
20. *Reasons for selecting hotel or other lodging facility:* Provide an explanation of the sponsor's rationale for selecting the particular lodging, include information such as proximity to the airport or site to be visited.
21. *Describe how the daily expenses for lodging, meals, and other expenses provided to trip participant compare to the maximum per diem rates for official Federal Government travel:* Where feasible and available, trip expenses for lodging and meals should generally be comparable to the government *per diem* rates. The circumstances surrounding a particular trip may legitimately require lodging and meal expenses to exceed these rates. Consult the Ethics Committee regulations for additional information.
22. *Describe the type and class of transportation being provided:* While coach or business-class fare may be accepted, first-class fare for any mode of transportation may be permitted only under limited conditions and only with specific prior written approval by the Ethics Committee. Transportation on a private or charter aircraft is not permitted for privately-sponsored travel under any circumstances.
23. *Expenses for recreational activity or entertainment:* The only recreational or entertainment activities that will be approved by the Ethics Committee are those that are provided to all attendees and are an integral part of an event.
24. *List any entertainment that will be provided to, paid for or reimbursed to Senate invitees and explain why the entertainment is an integral part of the event:* Entertainment expenses that are not provided to all attendees and deemed an integral part of the event will not be approved by the Ethics Committee.
25. *Certification:* Each sponsor of a trip should sign the form and certify that the information is complete and correct. Attach additional pages with the certification and signature block, as necessary, for each trip sponsor.

Date/Time Stamp:

EMPLOYEE PRE-TRAVEL AUTHORIZATION

Pre-Travel Filing Instructions: Complete and submit this form at least 30 days prior to the travel departure date to the **Select Committee on Ethics in SH-220**. Incomplete and late travel submissions will not be considered or approved. This form must be typed and is available as a fillable PDF on the Committee's website at ethics.senate.gov. Retain a copy of your entire pre-travel submission for your required post-travel disclosure.

Name of Traveler: Cortney Thomas Bush
Employing Office/Committee: Senate Commerce Committee
Private Sponsor(s) (list all): Technology Policy Institute
Travel date(s): August 20-22, 2017
Note: If you plan to extend the trip for any reason you must notify the Committee.
Destination(s): Aspen, Colorado

Explain how this trip is specifically connected to the traveler's official or representational duties:

As Professional Staff Member on the Senate Commerce Committee, I advise the Chairman and committee members on various telecommunications and technology issues. In this capacity, I have been invited to participate in a panel discussion on management of spectrum, an issue of significant importance to the American economy which is squarely within the jurisdiction of the committee. I will also attend a number of other panel discussions on topics within my area of responsibility, and I expect the dialogue to positively inform my efforts at the committee. These areas include network neutrality, privacy, and the internet of things.

Name of accompanying family member (if any): N/A
Relationship to Employee: ☐ Spouse ☐ Child

I certify that the information contained in this form is true, complete and correct to the best of my knowledge:

7/21/17
(Date)

Cort Bush
(Signature of Employee)

TO BE COMPLETED BY SUPERVISING SENATOR/OFFICER (President of the Senate, Secretary of the Senate, Sergeant at Arms, Secretary for the Majority, Secretary for the Minority, and Chaplain):

I, Senator John Thune hereby authorize Cortney Bush
(Print Senator's/Officer's Name) (Print Traveler's Name)

an employee under my direct supervision, to accept payment or reimbursement for necessary transportation, lodging, and related expenses for travel to the event described above. I have determined that this travel is in connection with his or her duties as a Senate employee or an officeholder, and will not create the appearance that he or she is using public office for private gain.

I have also determined that the attendance of the employee's spouse or child is appropriate to assist in the representation of the Senate. (signify "yes" by checking box) ☐

7/21/17
(Date)

John Thune
(Signature of Supervising Senator/Officer)



Mr. Cort Bush
Professional Staff Member
Subcommittee on Communications, Technology, Innovation, and the Internet
Committee on Commerce, Science, and Transportation
U.S. Senate
512 Dirksen Senate Office Building
Washington, DC 20510

It is my pleasure to invite you to participate in the off-the-record working group "Refarming Spectrum: What Have We Learned?" at the Technology Policy Institute's forthcoming Aspen Forum, which will be held at the St. Regis Hotel in Aspen, Colorado. The Forum opens on Sunday, August 20, and continues through Tuesday lunch, August 22.

The theme of this year's Forum is **New Directions in Technology Policy: Removing Barriers to Growth and Innovation**. The new administration and Congress are reconsidering longstanding regulatory, tax, and international policies with potentially far-reaching consequences. These policy shifts could affect the landscape for the technology and communications sectors as well as the broader U.S. and global business environment. How will these changes influence emerging technologies such as artificial intelligence and investment in new communications networks like 5G? More broadly, what will be the effect on innovation and economic growth? Panels and speakers will discuss these and related issues at the TPI Aspen Forum.

The Technology Policy Institute is an independent, non-partisan think tank that focuses on the economics of innovation, technological change, and related regulation in the United States and around the world. TPI is a 501(c)(3) research and educational foundation.

Sincerely,

Scott Wallsten, President

Technology Policy Institute Aspen Forum

"Lots of smart people gathered in a beautiful location to discuss interesting topics."

"Speakers are always well informed and high quality, excellent networking opportunities, fabulous venue."

"Great conference, great place, great networking, great fun."

"It's a great opportunity to network while also receiving substantively interesting information."

"Great content, great setting, great people."

Past TPI Aspen Forum attendees

The Technology Policy Institute's Aspen Forum is an annual, multi-day policy symposium held in Aspen, Colorado. The premier event gathers leaders from business, government and academia to discuss and debate the key public policy issues affecting the technology and communications industries.

Since 2010, almost 900 attendees have gathered at the St. Regis resort for provocative discussions and riveting keynotes on topics ranging from U.S. competitiveness and innovation, to broadband penetration, to entertainment distribution models. Each year's agenda touches on timely themes and pertinent issues driving public policy and regulatory decisions and how it may impact tech, communications and content industries. The depth of discussions, featuring both industry leaders and academic experts, make the event a unique experience for attendees.

Speakers at previous Aspen Forums have included:

Industry

- David L. Cohen, Comcast Executive Vice President
- Dennis Kooker, President, Global Digital Business & U.S. Sales, Sony Music Entertainment
- Reid Hoffman, Entrepreneur and VC
- Kelly Merryman, Vice President, Content Partnerships for YouTube and Google
- Victor Nichols, Experian North America CEO
- Paul Otellini, Intel CEO
- Evan Shapiro, Executive Vice President, Digital Enterprises, NBCUniversal
- Brad Smith, Intuit CEO
- Peter Thiel, Entrepreneur and VC
- Hal Varian, Google Chief Economist
- Tim Westergren, Pandora Founder

Government

- Julie Brill, FTC Commissioner
- Mignon Clyburn, FCC Commissioner
- David Gross, Ambassador
- William Kovacic, Former FTC Chairman
- Alexander Macgillivray, Deputy Chief Technology Officer, Office of Science and Technology Policy, The White House
- Robert McDowell, FCC Commissioner
- Terrell McSweeney, FTC Commissioner
- Maureen Ohlhausen, FTC Commissioner
- Michael O'Rielly, FCC Commissioner
- Edith Ramirez, FTC Chairwoman
- Scott Tipton, U.S. House of Representatives Member
- Mark Udall, U.S. Senator

Academic and News Media

- Gordon Crovitz, Wall Street Journal Columnist and Former Publisher
- Mitch Daniels, Purdue University President
- Susan Athey, Stanford University
- Timothy Bresnahan, Stanford University
- Erik Brynjolfsson, MIT
- Dale Jorgenson, Harvard

For additional information on the TPI Aspen Forum, please contact the Technology Policy Institute at 202-828-4405.

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The Senate Member, officer, or employee **MUST** also provide a copy of this form, along with the appropriate travel authorization and reimbursement form, to the Office of Public Records (OPR), Room 232 of the Hart Building, within thirty (30) days after the travel is completed.

1. Sponsor(s) of the trip (please list all sponsors): Technology Policy Institute
2. Description of the trip: To participate in panel discussion at the Technology Policy Institute Aspen Forum
3. Dates of travel: August 20-22, 2017
4. Place of travel: Aspen, Colorado
5. Name and title of Senate invitees: Cort Bush and Crystal Tully, Sen. Comm. on Commerce, Sci & Trans.
6. I certify that the trip fits one of the following categories:
☒ (A) The sponsor(s) are not registered lobbyists or agents of a foreign principal and do not retain or employ registered lobbyists or agents of a foreign principal and no lobbyist or agents of a foreign principal will accompany the Member, officer, or employee *at any point* throughout the trip.

- OR -

☐ (B) The sponsor or sponsors are not registered lobbyists or agents of a foreign principal, but retain or employ one or more registered lobbyists or agents of a foreign principal and the trip meets the requirements of Senate Rule 35.2(a)(2)(A)(i) or (ii) (*see question 9*).
7. ☒ I certify that the trip will not be financed in any part by a registered lobbyist or agent of a foreign principal.

- AND -

☒ I certify that the sponsor or sponsors will not accept funds or in-kind contributions earmarked directly or indirectly for the purpose of financing this specific trip from a registered lobbyist or agent of a foreign principal or from a private entity that retains or employs one or more registered lobbyists or agents of a foreign principal.
8. I certify that:
☒ The trip will not in any part be planned, organized, requested, or arranged by a registered lobbyist or agent of a foreign principal except for *de minimis* lobbyist involvement.

- AND -

☒ The traveler will not be accompanied on the trip by a registered lobbyist or agent of a foreign principal except as provided for by Committee regulations relating to lobbyist accompaniment (*see question 9*).

9. USE ONLY IF YOU CHECKED QUESTION 6(B)

I certify that if the sponsor or sponsors retain or employ one or more registered lobbyists or agents of a foreign principal, one of the following scenarios applies:

-OR-

[OR]

10. USE ONLY IF YOU CHECKED QUESTION 9(B)

11. ☒ An itinerary for the trip is attached to this form. I *certify* that the attached itinerary is a detailed (hour-by-hour), complete, and final itinerary for the trip.

The Technology Policy Institute solely organizes the Aspen Forum. This includes inviting all speakers and participants, planning discussions and panel topics, and all logistical arrangements.

13. Briefly describe the stated mission of each sponsor and how the purpose of the trip relates to that mission:

14. Briefly describe each sponsor's prior history of sponsoring congressional trips:

15. Briefly describe the educational activities performed by each sponsor (other than sponsoring congressional trips):

Technology Policy Institute produces independent research and hosts events on technology

policy issues in order to inform policymakers.

16. Total Expenses for Each Participant:

	Transportation Expenses	Lodging Expenses	Meal Expenses	Other Expenses
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Good Faith estimate <input type="checkbox"/> Actual Amounts	\$750 Airfare, \$100 for cab/parking	\$500 + tax	\$500	\$500 registration fee is comped for academic, non-profit and government speakers

17. State whether a) the trip involves an event that is arranged or organized *without regard* to congressional participation or b) the trip involves an event that is arranged or organized *specifically with regard* to congressional participation:

The event is arranged without regard to congressional participation.

18. Reason for selecting the location of the event or trip

The event is hosted at the St. Regis in Aspen, CO as it is a mid-way point between the coasts.

It is intended to attract speakers from both Washington, DC and Silicon Valley.

19. Name and location of hotel or other lodging facility:

Hotel Aspen, 110 W Main St, Aspen, CO 81611

20. Reason(s) for selecting hotel or other lodging facility:

The Hotel Aspen is close to the event venue but rate is cheaper than the St. Regis group rate.

21. Describe how the daily expenses for lodging, meals, and other expenses provided to trip participants compares to the maximum per diem rates for official Federal Government travel:

The daily maximum is more expensive than per diem rates. The lodging chosen is close to the venue but cheaper than the group rate we have with the St. Regis. Meals are the same as provided to all speakers at attendees at the Forum.

22. Describe the type and class of transportation being provided. Indicate whether coach, business-class or first class transportation will be provided. If first-class fare is being provided, please explain why first-class travel is necessary:

Coach class airfare is offered.

23. ☒ I represent that the travel expenses that will be paid for or reimbursed to Senate invitees do not include expenditures for recreational activities, alcohol, or entertainment (other than entertainment provided to all attendees as an integral part of the event, as permissible under Senate Rule 35).

24. List any entertainment that will be provided to, paid for, or reimbursed to Senate invitees and explain why the entertainment is an integral part of the event:

None.

25. I hereby *certify* that the information contained herein is true, complete and correct. (You must include the completed signature block below for each travel sponsor.):

Signature of Travel Sponsor: 

Name and Title: Scott Wallsten

Name of Organization: Technology Policy Institute

Address: 409 12th Street, SW, Suite 700, Washington, DC 20024

Telephone Number: 202-828-4405

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6:30 pm	<p>Reception and Dinner</p> <p>Keynote</p> <p>Yoram Bauman, <i>The Stand-Up Economist</i></p>

	Tuesday, August 22
7:30 am	Breakfast
8:30 am	<p>Panel: Terminally Unconnected</p> <p>John Horrigan, <i>Senior Researcher, Pew Research Center</i></p> <p>Mark Jamison, <i>Senior Lecturer and Director, Public Utility Research Center, Warrington College of Business, University of Florida</i></p> <p>Nicol Turner-Lee, <i>Governance Studies Fellow, Center for Technology Innovation, Brookings</i></p>

